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Honorable Rod Paige U. S. Department of Education Federal Building #6 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20202

Dear Secretary Paige:

This letter is to affirm my commitment to serve as a member of the National Assessment Governing Board. I look forward to working with you during my three-year term of service, pursuant to my appointment by Secretary Riley.

I appreciate the confidence demonstrated by the National Governors' Association with my nomination and appointment. I want to assure you that I will discharge my responsibilities with energy and devotion to the purposes of the National Assessment Governing Board and its important work with the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

Very truly yours,

Ronnie Musgrove

Honorable Parris Glendening Governor, Commonwealth of Maryland Chairman, National Governors' Association